momentum of industrial growth, especially of small scale enterprises and revival of the capital market.

**Revision of Personal Pay**

2980. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that personal pay sanctioned to various Central Government employees for adopting small family norms before 1.1.96 has not been revised after implementation of recommendations of Fifth Central Pay Commission;

(b) if so, what are the relevant recommendations;

(c) whether Government propose to revise the amount of personal pay equivalent to amount of increment in the revised scale of pay on or after 1.1.96; and

(d) if so, when the orders to this effect would be issued and if not the reasons thereof;

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) to (d) The Fifth Centeral Pay Commission in paragraph 109.10 of their Report has stated that there is no justification for any enhancement of the special increment being given at present for adopting the small family norms.

**Volatility in Indian Stock Market**

2981. SHRI J CHITHARANJAN: SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been extreme volatility in the Indian stock market over the past few days;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the outflow of the investments by foreign institutional investors (FII) has been one of the reasons for the volatility in the stock market; and

(d) if so, what is the extent ot the FII net outflow since the presentation of budget this year and the reasons for such outflow and remedial steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) and (b) The daily movement of stock indices since May, 1998 is given in the Statement *(See below)*

(c) and (d) There are several factors, which influence the stock market. These include expectations of the investors regarding the performance of the corporate sector and the economy in general, perceptions of the investors about economic policies of the Government, developments in the international capital market etc.. The principal consideration of Government and the stock market regulator (SEBI) is to ensure that the stock markets operate in an orderly and transparent manner in full compliance with the rules and the regulations of the regulator. The transactions by Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) in the Indian stock markets are also governed by SEBI regulations. The trend of FII investments is given in the Statement-II

**Statement-I**

*Movement of Stock Indices Since May 1998*

| Date | BSE Sensex | NSE-50 |
|---|---|---|
| 04/05/98 | 4135.81 | 1185.15 |
| 05/05/98 | 4147.29 | 1188.10 |
| 06/05/98 | 4069.79 | 1172.45 |
| 08/05/98 | 4022.20 | 1161.55 |
| 12/05/98 | 3945.13 | 1132.25 |
| 13/05/98 | 3782.76 | 1094.10 |